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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Andrew P. Kramer et al.	Examiner:	Oropeza
Serial No.:	09/748,754	Group Art Unit:	3762
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Title	SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CARDIAC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT WITH SYNCHRONIZED PACING PROTECTION PERIOD		

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**PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
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In accordance with the provision of 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action mailed August 27, 2003, said period of response being extended from November 27, 2003 to December 27, 2003.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee.  
Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to deposit Account No. 19-0743.

Respectfully Submitted

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